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Title

Device for Preventing Welding Wire from Tangling

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ELECTION and AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 11, 2007, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

Election begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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ELECTION

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 11, 2007, in which the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 wherein the application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species:

- 1. Figs. 1a and 1b;
- 2. Fig. 1c;
- 3. Figs. 2a and 2b;
- 4. Fig. 2c;
- 5. Figs. 3a and 3b;
- 6. Fig. 3c;
- 7. Figs. 4a and 4b;
- 8. Fig. 4c;
- 9. Figs. 5a and 5b;
- 10. Figs. 6a and 6b;
- 11. Figs. 1a and 1b;
- 12. Fig. 1c;
- 13. Figs. 7a and 7b;
- 14. Fig. 7c;
- 15. Figs. 7a and 7b;
- 16. Fig. 7c;
- 17. Figs. 8a and 8b;
- 18. Fig. 8c;
- 19. Figs. 9a and 9b;
- 20. Fig. 9c;
- 21. Figs. 10a and 10b;
- 22. Fig. 10c;
- 23. Figs. 11a and 11b;
- 24. Fig. 11c;
- 25. Figs. 12a and 12b;
- 26. Fig. 12c;

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- 27. Figs. 13a and 13b;
- 28. Fig. 13c; and
- 29. Figs. 14a and 14b.

In response, Applicants elect for further prosecution Species 1, namely, Figs. 1a and 1b, on which claims 1-4 are readable.

Applicants reserve their right to file at a later time a divisional application directed to the non-elected species/claims. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.48(b), there is no change in inventorship as a result of this election.